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Applicant's Docket No. 117163.00032

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Schaldach, et al.

Application No.: 09/996,061

Group No.: 3731

Filed: 11/27/2001

Examiner: Michael H. Thaler

For: STENT INCLUDING HUMAN OR ANIMAL TISSUE

Mail Stop Amendment

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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No additional fee for claims is required.

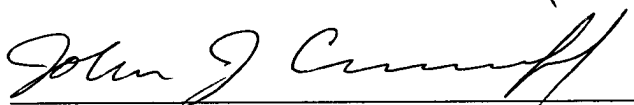
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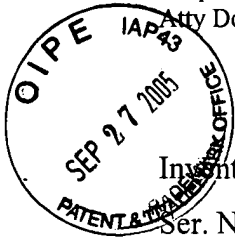
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Ser. No.	09/996,061	Group Art Unit:	3731
Title:	Stent Including Human or Animal Tissue		
Filed:	27 November 2001	Date:	23 September 2005

**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action mailed 3 August 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION - None.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS – are reflected in the listing of claims which begins  
on page 2.

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS - None.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 11.